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In re the Application of

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Serial No.: New Divisional Application of

U.S. Serial No. 10/058,968

Filed: Herewith

For: A PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF JOINING PROFILES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, after the title, but before the first line, please insert the following:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS,

This application is a division of U.S. Application No. 10/058,968, filed January 30, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,681,820, which claims priority under 35 USC § 119 from Swedish Patent Application No. 0100276-5, filed January 31, 2001.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. <u>Field of the Invention</u>--

Please amend the second full paragraph of page 2 as indicated:

If materials like fibre board or particle board are used it <u>is</u> known that burrs often occur which will obstruct the functionality in the tighter parts of a snap joint. This can be avoided by adding the step <u>of</u> coating of the milled profile section before the broaching stage where the fine moulding takes place. The coating suitably comprises a substance <u>such as</u> selected from the group; wax, oil, a polymeric material being exemplified by a thermoplastic polyolefin and a lacquer being exemplified by a UV-curing lacquer.

Page 1, between the first and second paragraphs, please insert the following heading: --SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 3, prior to the first full paragraph, please insert the following heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--.

Page 3, prior to the last paragraph, please insert the following heading:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--.